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SUBJECT: CABLE TO THE SECRETARY FROM 48 MEMBERS OF  
CONGRESS ON SOUTH AFRICA

FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF A CABLE TO THE SECRETARY FROM  
48 MEMBER OF CONGRESS:

QUOTE - WE MEMBERS OF CONGRESS COMMEND YOUR CURRENT  
DIPLOMATIC INITIATIVES IN SOUTHERN AFRICA AND EXPRESS OUR  
HOPE THAT DEMOCRATIC MAJORITY RULE CAN COME TO THAT AREA  
OF THE WORLD WITHOUT FURTHER VIOLENCE. THE UNITED STATES  
HAS FOR TOO LONG NEGLECTED THE ASPIRATIONS OF THE OPPRESSED  
MAJORITIES OF SOUTHERN AFRICA. IN THIS AMERICAN  
BICENTENNIAL YEAR WE AFFIRM OUR COMMITMENT TO THE  
AMERICAN IDEA THAT, "ALL MEN ARE CREATED EQUAL, THAT  
THEY ARE ENDOWED BY THEIR CREATOR WITH CERTAIN INALIENABLE  
RIGHTS, THAT AMONG THESE ARE LIFE, LIBERTY, AND THE  
PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS."

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IN YOUR ATTEMPTS TO ACT AS A MODERATOR BETWEEN THE

CONFLICTING FORCES IN THAT REGION, YOU WILL MEET WITH  
PRIME MINISTER JOHN VORSTER OF SOUTH AFRICA. PLEASE  
COMMUNICATE TO MR. VORSTER THE FOLLOWING:

-- WHILE CONTINUING TO DEPLORE THE SYSTEM OF APARTHEID  
IN SOUTH AFRICA, AND THE ABSENCE OF MAJORITY RULE,  
WE STRONGLY CONDEMN THE CURRENT VIOLENT REPRESSION  
OF BASIC HUMAN RIGHTS, PARTICULARLY THE DETENTION OF  
UP TO A YEAR WITHOUT PUBLIC TRIAL OF LARGE NUMBER OF  
BLACK AFRICAN LEADERS.

-- WE BELIEVE CONDITIONS ARE MUCH WORSE THAN YOU  
OFFICIALLY ACKNOWLEDGED,BUT THE CLOAK OF CENSORSHIP  
PREVENTS THE COMMUNITY OF NATIONS FROM APPRECIATING  
THE FULL EXTENT OF THE OUTRAGES AGAINST HUMAN DIGNITY.

IN THE AMERICAN TRADITION OF SPEAKING OUT AGAINST  
VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS AROUND THE GLOBE, WE MUST  
STRONGLY CONDEMN THIS REPRESSION BY THE SOUTH AFRICAN  
GOVERNMENT.

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